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The Honorable Dave Camp
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The Honorable Sander Levin
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RE: Opposition to H.R. 3972

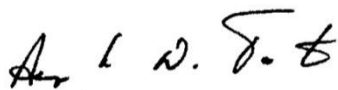
Dear Chairman Camp and Ranking Member Levin:

The American Manufacturing Trade Action Coalition (AMTAC) represents U.S. manufacturers of various types of textile and apparel products. We are writing to strongly oppose H.R. 3972, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain woven fabrics of cotton, containing 85 percent or more by weight of cotton, dyed, plain weave, weighing more than 100 g/m², other, of numbers 43 to 68, poplin or broadcloth (provided for in subheading 5208.32.40).

We are opposed to this bill because it grants duty relief to products that are made here in the United States. Milliken Company, headquartered in Spartanburg, SC, and Copland Industries, headquartered in Burlington, NC, both produce the cotton woven fabric covered by this bill. Granting duty-free treatment on the subject fabric would have a negative impact on these domestic companies and their employees. As a result, we oppose the inclusion of H.R. 3972 in any final Miscellaneous Tariff Bill (MTB) package.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to comment on H.R. 3972. We greatly appreciate your noting our opposition to this bill.

Sincerely,



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